## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Investigation to Assess Wisconsin's Potential for the Development of Wind Energy Resources in Lake Michigan and Lake Superior

05-EI-144

# MANITOWOC PUBLIC UTILITIES' REQUEST TO INTERVENE AND NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §227.44(2m) and Wis. Admin. Code § 2.21, Manitowoc Public Utilities ("MPU") hereby files its request to intervene in the above-captioned matter. MPU's attorneys also file a notice of appearance.

#### STATEMENT OF INTEREST

MPU is one of Wisconsin's 82 municipal electric utilities, and is a public utility within the meaning of Wis. Stat. §196.01(5). MPU operates a municipal electric utility that purchases power at wholesale to distribute to its retail customers. MPU also generates electric power for its retail customers. Because of these positions, and because MPU's business location and retail service area border Lake Michigan, the availability of wind energy resources could affect MPU, both as a wholesale customer and as a generator of electricity. MPU therefore has a substantial interest in the Commission's findings and decision in this investigation.

### NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

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#### **CONCLUSION**

For the reasons stated above, MPU requests that the Commission grant its request to intervene in this proceeding.

Dated this 25th day of April, 2008.

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